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Sir:

For replying to the Office action dated **November 30, 2005** in the patent application identified above, Applicant(s) hereby requests an extension of time of **one month**, from **February 28, 2006** to **March 30, 2006**.

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